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Examining Group 2184

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Atty. Docket No. 0152-0515P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Wasao TAKASUGI et al.	Conf.:	6902
Appl. No.:	09/430,186	Group:	2876
Filed:	October 29, 1999	Examiner:	DIANE I. LEE
For:	A NON-CONTACT INFORMATION MEDIUM AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM UTILIZING THE SAME		

SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 23, 2004

Sir:

Applicants herewith acknowledge receipt of the Interview Summary (PTOL-413) dated June 11, 2004, referring to a telephone interview conducted on February 24, 2004. During the telephone interview, Applicants' attorney informed the Examiner that he had filed an Amendment after final rejection on December 24, 2003 and made an inquiry as to the status of the application. The Examiner indicated that the case was currently at an internal process and that the Examiner would consider the response once the case was forwarded.

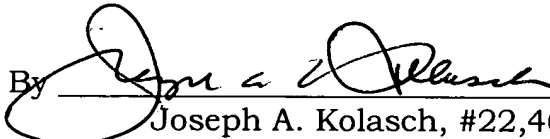
The present statement is to summarize the substance of the interview as required by the Interview Summary.

Should there be any matters which need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Robert F. Gnuse (Registration No. 27,295) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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